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## PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

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### UNITED STATES.

#### *Disinfection of vessels at Tampa Bay Quarantine on account of tuberculosis.*

Asst. Surg. C. C. Pierce reports the disinfection of the Norwegian bark *Pallas* at the Tampa Bay Quarantine, Mullet Key, Fla., November 4, 1902, on account of a case of tuberculosis, and the master of the vessel was instructed as to precautions to prevent further infection. The vessel was fumigated on account of rats, 22 of which were collected and burned.

#### *Disinfection of vessels at San Francisco on account of tuberculosis.*

P. A. Surg. W. G. Stimpson reports the disinfection of 3 vessels during September, 1902, on account of the employment of tuberculous seamen on board.

#### *Statistical reports of States and cities of the United States—Yearly and monthly.*

ILLINOIS—*Springfield*.—Month of October, 1902. Estimated population, 36,000. Total number of deaths, 50, including diphtheria, 1, and 7 from tuberculosis.

MASSACHUSETTS—*Newton*.—Month of October, 1902. Estimated population, 36,336. Total number of deaths, 35, including 4 from tuberculosis.

MICHIGAN.—Reports to the State board of health, Lansing, for the week ended November 1, 1902, from 69 observers, indicate that diarrhea, enteric fever, pneumonia, erysipelas, and measles were more prevalent and scarlet fever, inflammation of bowels, cholera morbus, and dysentery were less prevalent than in the preceding week. Meningitis was reported present at 3, measles at 18, smallpox at 19, whooping cough at 20, diphtheria at 43, scarlet fever at 63, enteric fever at 91, and phthisis pulmonalis at 226 places.

MINNESOTA—*Winona*.—Month of October, 1902. Estimated population, 23,000. Total number of deaths 24, including enteric fever, 1; whooping cough, 1, and 2 from tuberculosis.

NEW YORK.—Reports to the State board of health, Albany, for the month of September, 1902, from 156 cities, towns, and villages having an aggregate estimated population of 7,467,050, show a total of 9,682 deaths, including diphtheria, 166; enteric fever, 179; measles, 7; scarlet fever, 31; whooping cough, 83; smallpox, 6, and 917 from tuberculosis.